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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Support

SUBJECT : [REDACTED] Construction

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REFERENCE : Memo to DDS fm D/L dtd 7 Apr 66,
same subject

1. This memorandum is for information only.
2. In response to your comments on the Routing and Record Sheet dated 29 March 1966, the following additional information is furnished:

a. Complaints in the past from the Station are basically that the Corps of Engineers is too slow and inflexible for the type of facility that we construct and that the "red tape" that they require is costly and time consuming. The Station believes that a direct contract could save time and money.

b. We have proceeded with this project, using the Corps of Engineers as our construction agent and have taken the following steps to assure the fastest possible action:

(1) The importance of this project has been conveyed to the Office of the Chief of Engineers. Appropriate officials of the Chief's office have discussed by telephone and teletype various means of expediting this project and cutting "red tape."

(2) The procurement and transportation of equipment and material is being given the highest priority in the Office of Logistics. A senior planning officer is assigned to coordinate and expedite all actions.

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(3) A senior engineer is now in [REDACTED] collaborating with the Gulf District Engineer to assure early award of a construction contract. He will proceed to [REDACTED] in the near future to assure that there is no delay in the Mediterranean Division's, of the Corps of Engineers, approval and action.

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(4) We have insisted that all necessary authority be granted the Corps of Engineers in [REDACTED] rather than handling the project from [REDACTED]

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